

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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PROJECT TITLE: Tree Planting at the Cuyamaca Outdoor School (05/06-CD-16)

LOCATION: Cuyamaca Rancho State Park

COUNTY: San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Planting of approximately 65 native tree seedlings (oaks and pines) in scattered locations on the Outdoor School campus to replace some of the trees lost in the Cedar Fire of October 2003. All trees are grown from seed collected on the school grounds. An archeological monitor will be present during planting excavation to assess excavated soils for cultural resources.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Colorado Desert District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
☒ Categorical Exemption
Class: 4 and 33 *Section:* 15304 and 15333

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

- No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated.
- Minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.
- Revegetation of disturbed areas, up to 5 acres, with native vegetation.

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